



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Coyote Canyon Trails Maintenance (05/06-CD-17)

LOCATION: Anza-Borrego Desert State Park **COUNTY:** San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Routine maintenance of eight trails within Coyote Canyon. Maintenance actions include clearance of vegetation, removal of debris, and in certain locations leveling or smoothing of the trail surface. Maintenance is required for public safety and the prevention of erosion. Work will be done primarily with hand tools within the existing trailway. Work will be done primarily between October 1 and March 15 to avoid impacts to the Peninsular bighorn sheep and the least Bell's vireo.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption
 Class: 1 and 4 Section: 15301 and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

- No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated.
- Repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of public facilities (public trails) for public safety purposes.
- Minor alterations of public land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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